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SUBJECT: STATE-DEFENSE STUDY TEAM

1. TEAM HAS DEVOTED PAST WEEK TO INTENSIVE REVIEW OF THREAT ASSESSMENT AND BASIC DEFICIENCIES OF SUDANESE ARMED FORCES. IN ADDITION TO COMPREHENSIVE BRIEFINGS AT SERVICE COMMANDS, TEAM HAS VISITED SEVERAL INSTALLATIONS AND TRAVELLED TO MILITARY POSTS AT ATBARA, PORT SUDAN AND KASSALA. SUDANESE MILITARY HAVE BEEN COOPERATIVE THROUGHOUT AND HAVE PROVIDED ALL DATA REQUESTED BY TEAM.

2. WHILE TEAM NOT YET IN POSITION TO OFFER EVEN TENTATIVE CONCLUSIONS, IT HAS UNCOVERED NUMEROUS WEAKNESSES IN ORGANIZATION, COMMAND AND CONTROL AND LOGISTICS, ALL HAVING PROFOUND NEGATIVE IMPACT ON MOBILITY AND COMBAT EFFECTIVENESS OF SUDANESE ARMED FORCES. IT IS CLEAR THAT REMEDIAL ACTION BY GOS WILL HAVE TO INCLUDE REALIGNMENT OF SEVERAL COMMANDS, TRAINING AND TECHNICAL ASSISTANCE, WHATEVER THE SOURCE.

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3. CONGESTION AND OVERLOAD AT PORT SUDAN IS A PROBLEM THAT IMPACTS ADVERSELY ON BOTH CIVILIAN ECONOMIC SECTOR AND MILITARY FORCE POSTURE. PORT AREA DIFFICULT TO DEFEND. ITS DISRUPTION WOULD BE CATASTROPHIC IN VIEW OF ITS ROLE AS SOLE SUPPLY CHANNEL FOR COUNTRY.

4. APPEARS TEAM IN-COUNTRY WORK WILL BE COMPLETED
BY AUG. 20 AND WILL DEPART FOLLOWING DAY.
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